

Torrance, California.
October 18, 1927.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, Oct. 18, 1927, and was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by Mayor Dennis.

The following Councilmen were present: Conner, Inman, Raymond, Wolfe and Dennis. Absent: None.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Oct. 4, 1927, were read and approved as read.

The Clerk read a letter from Clark Shelton asking that his name be removed from the petition for the rezoning of Arlington Ave.; also read a petition against the rezoning of Arlington Ave.

Councilman Raymond moved that the Shelton letter be filed. Councilman Inman seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

Councilman Inman moved that the above petition be referred to the Clerk for checking and report at next meeting. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

The Clerk gave his report on the original petition asking that a portion of Arlington Ave. be rezoned:

The petition represents 11 lots fronting on Arlington and 2 lots fronting on Carson, as the 2 lots fronting on Carson are already zoned for business so they are not considered. The 16 lots fronting on Arlington in blocks 21 and 22 signatures of 9 owners of these lots appear on the petition, if the written request of Clark Shelton as read as granted there will then be 8 signatures to consider.

Councilman Inman moved that the names having no bearing be eliminated and the same laid over until all petitions have been checked and reported on. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

Clerk Bartlett stated that our ordinance required that persons wishing to have property rezoned must make their wish known to the Board; then the district must be posted and afterwards a petition may be circulated five days after the posting; also the signatures of all people within 300 feet of the property affected must be consulted.

Mayor Dennis returned the petition requesting that a portion of Arlington Ave. be rezoned.

Councilman Conner moved that the Clerk answer the letter from Clifford F. Reid concerning the water question in the southwest annex. Councilman Raymond seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

A letter from J. M. Whiting, Oct. 17th, requesting that Mr. Stephens and all peddlers be removed from his block, was ordered filed on motion by Councilman Wolfe, seconded by Councilman Raymond, and a majority vote.

Councilman Conner moved that the Street Supt. be instructed to purchase a horse at a cost not to exceed \$175.00 and to sell the horse now owned by the City.

Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen: Conner, Inman, Raymond, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.

Councilman Conner suggested that the Clerk take up the matter of earlier lighting of streets with the So. Cal. Edison Co.

Engineer Leonard reported that the fire escape committee had met with all owners of three story buildings except Mr. Erwin; that plans had been worked out to protect the public and help the owners; that 18 months time had been given to extend the escapes from the 2nd story to the ground.

Also that a verbal request had been made to move a pool hall to a new location and to build a garage and dance hall in the Mexican pueblo.

Councilman Conner moved that the above permits be granted on request. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

As to houses which had been recently moved into the pueblo, one was to be located on the back of a lot and the others were to be torn down after temporary use.

Clerk Bartlett read:

ORDINANCE NO. 161
REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 135 AND AMENDING
ORDINANCE NO. 133

Councilman Inman moved that Ordinance No. 161 be adopted as read and same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen: Conner, Inman, Raymond, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.

Councilman Wolfe moved that a check for \$25.00 be forwarded to the treasurer of the Metropolitan Water District committee. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen: Conner, Inman, Raymond, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: " None.
ABSENT: " None.

Councilman Wolfe moved that Mr. Gascoigne be instructed to remove trees around the new Bank of Italy building. Councilman Inman seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

Engineer Leonard reported that, from his meeting with the P. E. and Railroad Commission engineers, all crossings sought, except at points where no streets had been laid out and there was nothing to serve, would be allowed by both parties and that the P. E. would not object to crossings now refused in case industries built on these properties; that maps of intersections of each intersection would be ready in a few days.

On motion by Councilman Inman, seconded by Councilman Conner, and a majority vote, Mayor Dennis declared November 11, 1927 to be a holiday.

Councilman Wolfe moved that a reward of \$100.00 be posted for evidence convicting persons of destroying street light globes. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilmen: Conner, Inman, Raymond, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.

Councilman Inman moved that the Clerk be instructed to advertise for bids for a new Police car, specifications to be furnished by Chief Calder. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A report of traffic crossing the Santa Fe on Redondo Blvd. was scanned to some extent.

Councilman Wolfe moved that all bills, properly audited, be paid. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Councilmen:	Conner, Inman, Raymond, Wolfe and Dennis.
NOES:	"	None.
ABSENT:	"	None.

At 9:05 p. m. Councilman Wolfe moved to adjourn. Councilman Raymond seconded the motion, which was duly carried.

A. H. Baylett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved:

John Dennis
Mayor of the City of Torrance